

Boulevard in Middletown, Rhode Island, as the "Rhode Island Veterans Post Office Building";

H.R. 4037 and S. 2442, bills to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 475 Kell Farm Drive in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, as the "Richard G. Wilson Processing and Distribution Facility";

H.R. 4176, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 122 West Elwood Avenue in Raeford, North Carolina, as the "Bobby Marshall Gentry Post Office Building";

H.R. 4299, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 410 South Jackson Road in Edinburg, Texas, as the "Dr. Miguel A. Nevarez Post Office Building"; and

The nominations of Albert Casey, of Texas, and James C. Miller III, of Virginia, each to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service, David Safavian, of Michigan, to be Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy, Office of Management and Budget, and Dawn A. Tisdale, of Texas, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Property Rights approved for full Committee consideration S.J. Res. 4, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Measures Introduced:** 18 public bills, H.R. 4477–4494; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 439–440, and H. Res. 659–660, were introduced.

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**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Reports Filed:** No reports were filed today.

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Shaw to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. Page H3607

**Chaplain:** The prayer was offered today by Rev. David Lauer, Campus Minister, Lakeland College in Sheboygan, Wisconsin. Page H3607

**Back to Work Incentive Act—Rule for consideration:** The House agreed to H. Res. 656, amended, the rule providing for consideration of H.R. 444, to amend the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 to establish a Personal Reemployment Accounts grant program to assist Americans in returning to work, by a recorded vote of 220 ayes to 196 noes, Roll No. 217, after agreeing to the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 214 yeas to 196 nays, Roll No. 215.

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Agreed to the Pryce of Ohio amendment that makes a technical correction to the resolution by a recorded vote of 320 ayes to 96 noes, Roll No. 216.

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**Constitutional amendment regarding continuity of Congress:** The House failed to pass H.J. Res. 83, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States regarding the appointment of individ-

uals to fill vacancies in the House of Representatives, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 63 yeas to 353 nays, with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 219.

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Rejected the Lofgren motion to recommit the joint resolution back to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions by a recorded vote of 194 ayes to 221 noes, Roll No. 218.

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Agreed to H. Res. 657, the rule providing for consideration of the resolution by a recorded vote of 211 ayes to 200 noes, with one voting "present", Roll No. 214, after agreeing to the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 215 yeas to 195 nays, Roll No. 213.

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**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass to the following measures:

*Recognizing the 60th anniversary of the Allied landing at Normandy during World War II:* Debated on Tuesday, June 1, S.J. Res. 28, recognizing the 60th anniversary of the Allied landing at Normandy during World War II, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 419 yeas with none voting "nays," Roll No. 220;

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*Reauthorizing title II of the Higher Education Act:* H.R. 4409, to reauthorize title II of the Higher Education Act of 1965;

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*Amending title VII of the Higher Education Act of 1965:* H.R. 4411, to amend title VII of the Higher Education Act of 1965 to ensure graduate opportunities in postsecondary education;

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**Providing for the conveyance of real property in Ravenna, Ohio:** H.R. 3908, to provide for the conveyance of the real property located at 1081 West Main Street in Ravenna, Ohio; **Pages H3642–43**

**Honoring the contributions of women who served on the homefront during World War II:** H. Con. Res. 413, honoring the contributions of the women, symbolized by “Rosie the Riveter”, who served on the homefront during World War II, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeand-nay vote of 417 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 221; **Pages H3643–48, H3682–83**

**Simple Tax for Seniors Act:** H.R. 4109, amended, to allow seniors with Social Security and pension income to file their income tax returns on a new Form 1040SR without regard to the amount of interest or taxable income of the senior, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeand-nay vote of 418 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 222; and **Pages H3648–54, H3683**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “to allow seniors to file their Federal income tax on a new Form 1040S.” **Page H3649**

**Standards Development Organization Advancement Act of 2003:** Concur with the Senate amendment to H.R. 1086, to encourage the development and promulgation of voluntary consensus standards by providing relief under the antitrust laws to standards development organizations with respect to conduct engaged in for the purpose of developing voluntary consensus standards—clearing the measure for the President. **Pages H3654–60**

**Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed:** The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed until Thursday, June 3.

**Anabolic Steroid Control Act of 2004:** H.R. 3866, amended, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to provide increased penalties for anabolic steroid offenses near sports facilities; and **Page H3660**

**Condemning the actions in Tiananmen Square:** H. Res. 655, condemning the crackdown on democracy protestors in Tiananmen Square, Beijing, in the People’s Republic of China on the 15th anniversary of that tragic massacre. **Pages H3684–89**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Six yeand-nay votes and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3625, H3625–26, H3626, H3626–27, H3627–28, H3680–81, H3681, H3682, H3682–83, H3683. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### REVIEW—FEDERAL AGRICULTURAL MORTGAGE CORPORATION

**Committee on Agriculture:** Held a hearing to review the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation, Testimony was heard from the following officials of the GAO: Davi M. D’Agostino, Director, Financial Markets and Community Investment; and Jeanette Franzel, Director, Financial Management and Assurance; Nancy C. Pellett, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration; Gregory Zerzan, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Financial Institutions Policy, Department of the Treasury; and the following officials of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation: Frederick L. Dailey, Chairman, and Henry D. Edelman, President and Chief Executive Officer.

### DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on Defense met in executive session and approved for full Committee action the Department of Defense appropriations for fiscal year 2005.

### BALANCING NIH’S PRIORITY SETTING PROCESS

**Committee on Energy and Commerce:** Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Scientific Opportunities and Public Needs: Balancing NIH’s Priority Setting Process.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the NIH, Department of Health and Human Services: Elias A. Zerhouni, M.D., Director; Anthony S. Fauci, M.D., Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases; Andrew C. von Eschenbach, M.D., Director, National Cancer Institute; and Nora D. Volkow, M.D., Director, National Institute of Drug Abuse.

### “ADVANCING THE DTV TRANSITION: AN EXAMINATION OF THE FCC MEDIA BUREAU PROPOSAL”

**Committee on Energy and Commerce:** Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet held a hearing entitled “Advancing the DTV Transition: An Examination of the FCC Media Bureau Proposal.” Testimony was heard from W. Kenneth Ferree, Chief, Media Bureau, FCC; and public witnesses.

### INVESTING FOR THE FUTURE: 529 STATE TUITION SAVINGS PLANS

**Committee on Financial Services:** Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing entitled “Investing for the Future: 529 State Tuition Savings Plans.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.